



Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** People are greatly impacted by sexual violence; and
- WHEREAS,** As individuals, we acknowledge the reality and impact of sexual violence in our communities and have the duty to raise awareness; and
- WHEREAS,** Prevention involves a thorough understanding of the problem of sexual violence and the development of a comprehensive continuum of effective policies and practices in every community; and
- WHEREAS,** All individuals, businesses, political and legal representatives have the means to influence and sponsor changes that significantly reduce sexual violence; and
- WHEREAS,** Community safety solutions can only succeed with interdisciplinary collaboration and a commitment to prevention; and
- WHEREAS,** Sexual violence can be prevented through a partnership between society and government; and
- WHEREAS,** Public safety is a civil right, and we have the right and responsibility to protect fellow members of society from harm.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim the week of October 2nd through October 8th, 2005, to be

LIVE FOR CHANGE: STOP SEX VIOLENCE WEEK

and urge all citizens of the State of Louisiana to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.



Attest By
The Governor

[Signature]
Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 31st day of May
A.D., 2005.*

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Governor of Louisiana